# **Division of Special Education**

## Heidi Atkins Lieberman

Assistant Commissioner

#### **Dale Carlson** Coordinator

#### Administration

Provides supervisory and administrative functions for fiscal accountability and data management for the division's services and programs. This position directly supervises the sections of Funds Management, Data Coordination and Sheltered Workshops.

## **Charlie Taylor**

Superintendent

#### State Schools for the Severely Handicapped (SSSH)

Responsible for the

overall management and operation of the (SSSH), a system of day schools providing special education services to students who are severely handicapped. Responsible under the direction of the Assistant Commissioner, the Commissioner and the State Board of Education for the operation of the SSSH. Directs and coordinates the broad aspects of personnel, finance,

school facilities,

curriculum and public

relations for the SSSH.

## James W. Sucharski

Superintendent

#### Missouri School for the Blind (MSB)

Responsible for the overall management and operation of the (MSB), a residential and day school providing special education services to students who are blind and visually impaired. Responsible under the direction of the Assistant Commissioner, the Commissioner and the State Board of Education for the operation of the MSB. Directs and coordinates the broad aspects of personnel, finance, school facilities, curriculum and public relations for the MSB.

### Barbara Garrison

Superintendent

#### Missouri School for the Deaf (MSD)

Responsible for the overall management and operation of the (MSD), a residential and day school providing special education services to students who are deaf and hearing impaired. Responsible under the direction of the Assistant Commissioner, the Commissioner and the State Board of Education for the operation of the MSD. Directs and coordinates the brad aspects of personnel, finance, school facilities, curriculum and public relations for the MSD.

## **Pam** Williams

Coordinator

#### Services

Provides supervisory and administrative functions necessary to plan, organize, and coordinate aspects of programs and services for students with disabilities ages 3-21. Responsible for compliance and professional development activities associated with programs assigned to the Division. The position directly supervises the sections of Compliance and Effective Practices.

## Cynthia Quetsch

#### Legal Counsel

Serves as counsel to the Division, which includes MSD, MSB and 37 schools of the SSSH. Has responsibility for all legal issues arising for the Division, including, but not limited to, those relating to compliance with IDEA as well as any legal issues which arise in the operation of the three state board operated school programs. Acts as the litigation liaison between the Division and the AG's office for the litigation involving the Division. Provides legal advice to the department on human resources/employment law issues.

### Joyce Jackman

Coordinator

#### **Early Intervention** Services

Serves as the Division's primary contact for the coordination of all functions associated with First Steps. Serves as the primary point person to assure priorities and timelines are established and that implementation of those priorities is accomplished. Works closely with the Administration Coordinator and Service Coordinator as well as the directors of each section to implement all aspects of First Steps.

#### Michele Schall

**Area Director** SPOE Region 4, 5

## Stacey Ismail

**Area Director** SPOE Region 7, 8

#### **Pamela Thomas**

**Area Director** SPOE Region 3, 6

#### Charla Myers **Area Director**

SPOE Region 9, 10

#### Vacant

**Area Director** SPOE Region 1, 2

#### Vacant Director **Funds Management**

## **Fulvio Franzi**

Director Sheltered Workshops

## **Mary Corey** Director

**Data Coordination** 

### **Margaret Strecker** Director

## Compliance

**Barb Gilpin** Interim Assistant

# Director

Interim Assistant Director

Julie LePage

Interim Director

Effective Practices

Heike Imler

#### **CJ Hubbard** Assistant Director Part C

Janet Hoskins Assistant Director Part B